

Back 2 School America Launches Contest to Surprise Chicago Schools with Free Supplies for Every Student This Fall

Non-Profit to Deliver School Supply Kits to Students at Winning Schools to Enhance Academic Performance & Increase Self Esteem

CHICAGO, June 2022 – Back 2 School America (B2SA), a national nonprofit that provides tens of thousands of deserving kids from low-income families with free school supplies to help them succeed in the classroom, is pleased to announce the launch of this year's "Win School Supplies for an Entire School" contest.

Back 2 School America holds the contest annually, in which two to three Chicago schools win free school supplies. Each and every child at the winning schools receives their own grade appropriate B2SA kit, loaded with the core supplies they need for the year.

In order to qualify for the 2022 contest, online applications must be submitted by July 25th. Applications that are mailed in must be sent to: "Win School Supplies for an Entire School," Back 2 School America, 1946 W. Irving Park Road; Chicago, IL 60613 and received no later later than July 25, 2022 to be considered.

Anyone can nominate a Chicago school and there is no limit to how many times a school can be nominated. Whether you are a parent, community leader, concerned citizen, student or member of a faculty, you can enter the contest on behalf of a school. The program is open to any Chicago school with students from pre-Kindergarten up through high school.

The two to three winning Chicago schools will be selected over the summer and notified by mid-August. Back 2 School America will award the free school supply kits to the winning schools in the fall.

While most students strive for success in the classroom, it can sometimes prove difficult when they don't have the necessary school supplies. With B2SA's contest, underserved Chicago students from the two to three winning schools are given the tools they need to thrive in the classroom. Providing these kits lets the students know that they deserve a good education.

"There are over 27 million students in America living in low income households. Last year alone, B2SA provided more than 1 million school supplies to these students," says Back 2 School America CEO, Matthew Kurtzman, "Continuing programs such as the yearly contest allows B2SA to provide students with the supplies to begin their school year motivated and prepared."

To date, over 9 million school supplies have been given to in-need children to ensure their academic careers are on a path to success. However, B2SA works to provide students with more than just supplies. The tools given out provide students with a sense of ease and confidence as they walk into school. To learn more, visit www.B2SA.org.

For more information on the contest, visit <https://www.b2sa.org/win-school-supplies-for-an-entire-school-contest>.

About Back 2 School America (B2SA)

The Back 2 School program was launched in 2007 to address the pressing needs of communities and the inequities in educational opportunities for children. In 2015 the nonprofit changed its' name to Back 2 School Illinois (B2SI) to reflect the work of the organization. In the summer of 2018, B2SI expanded and launched Back 2 School America, to provide Back 2 School kits to children across the USA.

Today, Back 2 School America (B2SA) continues to provide children of low-income households with free school supplies to help level the playing field and lessen the financial burden on their families and teachers.

Since its inception, the Back 2 School program has provided more than 300,000 children with their own school supply kits. The organization's long-term goal is to make sure that all children in the USA are provided with the school supplies they need to succeed in the classroom and beyond.

For more information and for details about upcoming events, please visit www.b2sa.org

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